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**Fwd: Eric Newman medal question**

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To: ericnumis@aol.com, [REDACTED]

Thu, Apr 28, 2011 at 12:04 PM

FYI.

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From: [REDACTED]  
To: [REDACTED]  
CC: [REDACTED]  
Sent: 4/28/2011 9:14:36 A.M. Central Daylight Time  
Subj: RE: Eric Newman medal question

Dick Johnson would be the one to have the details. Eric is domiciled in St. Louis so there might be a photo op in some connection.

Best wishes,

DAVE

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 28, 2011 10:12 AM  
**To:** 'David Bowers'  
**Subject:** RE: Eric Newman medal question

Thank you so much.

We reported that the medal would be bestowed in St. Louis and, as I am from St. Louis, and will be home at that time for a little vacation, I thought it might be possible to attend to take photos for CW.

I see now that this is not possible.

Cheers!

Jeff

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 28, 2011 10:08 AM  
**To:** 'Jeff Starck'; 'Dick Johnson'

**Cc:** [REDACTED]**Subject:** RE: Eric Newman medal question

Dear Jeff,

I will copy John W. Adams who, with Dick Johnson, has been the "Medal Committee" for the Rittenhouse Society. As I understand it, Society members who live in the greater NYC area and whose schedule permits will be on hand during Memorial Day weekend for a small "ceremony" to present the medal to Eric while he is visiting with family in NYC.

In a wider circle, the Society members, numbering several dozen from all over the USA, have personally contributed to have the medal created in Eric's honor. Eric was our first honorary member. A history of the RS is attached.

Best wishes,

DAVE B

**Rittenhouse Society History • 1957 circa:** Informally established when a group of numismatists interested in numismatic research banded together to discuss shared interests. Named for David Rittenhouse, first director of the Philadelphia Mint. • **October 1959:** A Rittenhouse Society meeting was held in Atlantic City at a convention with Ken Bressett, Dave Bowers, Walter Breen, and Grover Criswell in attendance; Dick Johnson and Ken Rendell were not there. • **1960:** First "official" breakfast meeting was held this year at the Boston ANA convention. Since that time the policy has been to have an annual breakfast meeting at the summer ANA Convention, usually on Saturday morning at 8:00 a.m. Generally, no more than one member is added each year, by invitation, so as to keep the group manageable in size for the annual breakfast. In many years no members have been elected. • **October 1962:** In a letter to QDB Ken Bressett said he had recently met with Al Hoch, who said that his *Colonial Newsletter* was "dying," and Ken Bressett said the Rittenhouse Society had not been active. The idea of the RS joining the CNL was discussed, but never happened. The RS did become more active, however. The early ideas of having elected officers, by-laws, dues, regular and "fellow" members, etc., lapsed, and the RS went on its merry annual way with breakfast meetings. • **Summer 1992:** Craig Whitford, new secretary, was active in numismatic publishing and other activities and issued a newsletter, which he created. • **Various:** Several years ago Brenda Bishop of the ANA designated the Rittenhouse Society as the first ANA *honorary* member coin club; a *unique* honor. Next annual meeting will be held on Saturday morning at 8 at the ANA convention, place to be announced. • **Update as of 2011-02-15:** Membership roster from inception to the present (\* = Founding member): John W. Adams, David T. Alexander, Leonard Augsburger, Richard A Bagg, Anne Bentley (elected August 2010, new member), Mark R. Borckardt, Q. David Bowers\*, Walter H. Breen\* (deceased), Kenneth E. Bressett\*, Philip Bressett, Roger W. Burdette, Grover Criswell\* (deceased), John Dannreuther, Tom DeLorey, Bill Fivaz, John J. Ford, Jr. (deceased; never attended a meeting, but was elected by acclamation near the end of his life), George Fuld\*, Jeff Garrett (elected August 2010, new member), Lynn Glaser, Erik Goldstein, Ron Guth, N. Neil Harris, Michael Hodder, Wayne K. Homren, Dick Johnson\*, R.W. (Bob) Julian, George F. Kolbe, John Kraljevich, Jr., Dave Lange, Denis W. Loring, Philip L. Mossman, Eric P. Newman (our first honorary member, elected 1961), Joel J. Orosz, Ed Reiter, Kenneth W. Rendell\*, P. Scott Rubin, Margo Russell, Harry Salyards, Neil Shafer, Craig Sholley, Pete Smith, Hank Spangenberg, Saul Teichman, Dennis Tucker (our second honorary member), Craig W. Whitford, and Wendell Wolka.

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**From:** [REDACTED]**Sent:** Thursday, April 28, 2011 8:25 AM**To:** 'Dick Johnson'**Cc:** [REDACTED]**Subject:** Eric Newman medal question

Greetings!

I saw the story about the Eric Newman medal presentation and wondered where it would be held.

His museum, home, or some other location?

Cheers!

Kind Regards,  
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